

## CALIFORNIA BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

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## **Agreed-Upon Procedures Engagement Reports**

The California Board of Accountancy is responsible for the regulation of the practice of public accountancy in California. One element of the Board's regulatory function is to monitor the profession and confirm that licensed CPAs comply with relevant provisions of the California Business and Professions Code and the Board's Regulations. Section 58 of the Board's regulations requires that "Licensees engaged in the practice of public accountancy shall comply with all applicable professional standards." Professional standards applicable to agreed-upon procedures engagements are contained in the AICPA's Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements at AT 201. These standards specifically prohibit the use of negative assurance language in the independent CPA's report produced as a product of an agreed-upon procedures engagement (AT 201.24). Accordingly, the California Board of Accountancy confirms, pursuant to current professional standards, independent CPAs in California should not use negative assurance language in their reports that they produce in relation to agreed-upon assurance engagements.

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